



Pre-conference workshops

6 July 2016

We have four fantastic preconference workshop options running at VetEd 2016. Pre-conference workshops take place on Wednesday 6 July at the University of Glasgow, School of Veterinary medicine. Details of each workshop are provided below along with information about how to book a place.

Workshop 1

Title: Teaching Ethics: Integration and Confidence

Lead by: James Yeates MRCVS

Timing: Full day (10.30-16.30)

There are several excellent initiatives for teaching ethics to veterinary students. Nevertheless, we remain somewhat behind the medical profession in the maturity and prevalence of practical ethical discussions. Ethics is not a subject where there can be overly top-down direction on how/what to teach: it is a skill. It needs to be integrated into other curricular content and particularly into clinical teaching. This session will focus on answering:

- What ethics as a day one skill means
- What resources are, or should be, available
- How such resources should be available
- How to ensure ethics teaching is integrated into other teaching, including clinical, business, communication and professionalism teaching
- How to ensure confident and consistent peer-peer to student-clinician discussion (including on rotations).

Workshop 2

Title: Primary care veterinary education

Lead by: Angela McAllister & Greg Wolfus

Timing: Afternoon (14.00-16.30)

This is an opportunity for those supporting student learning in primary care/first opinion practice to get together and share expertise. The first part of the session will focus on unique challenges encountered in primary care clinical teaching and we will share experiences and discuss examples of good practice in meeting those challenges. There will be opportunities for networking with others working in similar roles and discussion of future directions for primary care/general practice as an essential component of undergraduate veterinary education.

Workshop 3

Title: How to run a successful OSCE with peer assessors

Lead by: Lissann Wolfe & Zamantha Marshall

Timing: Afternoon (14.00-16.30)

Glasgow Veterinary School administers multiple formative and summative OSCEs each year, costly in both time, and staff involvement. As part of this programme we recruit senior students to peer assess junior undergraduates during their formative OSCEs. Our evaluation suggests that peer assessors are able to provide constructive feedback, assess fairly and give helpful advice on improving future performance. Peer assessors themselves report that peer assessing increases their confidence in their own OSCEs. Peer assessment of formative OSCEs has now been used successfully at Glasgow for several years.

The workshop will focus on:

- How to choose your peer assessors
- How to train your peer assessors
- How to ensure peer assessment is accepted by your students
- How to run an OSCE entirely with peer assessors

Workshop 4

Title: BSc Animal Science/Veterinary Degree programmes: Networking Event

Lead by: Lubna Nasir, Mark McLaughlin, Jean Rodgers & Lesley Nicolson.

Timing: Morning (10.30-13.00)

Many Veterinary Schools within the UK offer BSc undergraduate programmes targeted primarily at those students interested in pursuing careers in Animal Biosciences or related areas. The aim of this workshop is to bring together teachers involved in the delivery of BSc undergraduate programmes related to Animal Science to provide a forum for networking, and to allow teachers to discuss sharing of practices and resources. Whilst the curriculae across the UK BSc programmes are diverse and teaching and assessment strategies will be varied, there are likely to be areas of commonality and potential for sharing of experience and resources and the potential for inter-institute interaction and scholarship. Good quality teaching resources and assessments are expensive and time consuming to produce and offer an opportunity for the sharing of assets and best practice. This is the first such networking event for BSc programmes within the UK Veterinary Schools.

How to book a pre-conference workshop place

There are two parts to the booking process:

1. Email VetEd 2016 veted-2016@glasgow.ac.uk telling us your name, your institution and which workshop you would like to attend. Please include "PCW" in the subject line of your message.
2. When you register for the Vet Ed conference you will see an option to add a "pre conference workshop attendance" to your package. Please select this option. The cost is £20 which includes lunch and refreshments.